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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Levesque *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/545,428

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For: **TRANSDIFFERENTIATION ON TRANSFECTED EPIDERMAL BASAL CELLS  
INTO NEURAL PROGENITOR CELLS, NEURONAL CELLS AND/OR GLIAL  
CELLS**

Examiner: Schmidt, M.

Art Unit: 1635

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Subsequent to a telephonic interview graciously granted by the Examiner, on December 20, 2001, this is in response to the Final Office Action mailed July 17, 2001 for the above-captioned patent application. This response is submitted on or before January 17, 2002, with a request for a three (3)-month extension of time, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and the requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). Also submitted herewith is a Notice of Appeal in connection with the above-captioned application. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter and consider the following amendments and remarks herein.